

REMARKS

Claims 38-56 and 58 and 59 stand rejected. Claims 38, and 45-48 have been amended.

Claim 44 has been cancelled. Claim 38 is the only claim presented in independent form. Claims 38, 41-45, 48, 52, and 56-59 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated over U.S. Patent No. 5,721,842 to Beasley et al. Claims 39-40 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Beasley in view of U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0091850 to Perholtz. Claims 46 and 53 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Beasley in view of U.S. Patent No, 5,821,918 to Reinert et al. Claim 47, 49, 50-51, and 54-55 stand rejected as unpatentable over Beasley in view of Asprey, Kitigawa, Vouri, and Antoun, respectively. Support for the amendments can be found at least at Fig. 2B and pages 32-33.

Claim 38 discloses a user terminal device for producing an option menu comprising a first set of image producing circuits capable of producing a first video output for display on a video display and a second set of image producing circuits capable of producing a second video output for display on the video display. The device contains a processor coupled to the first and second sets of image producing circuits, for configuring the video outputs of each of the first and second sets of image producing circuits to generate an option menu on the video display. The first and second video outputs from the first and second sets of imaging circuits are combined to form the displayed option menu. The second set of image producing circuits are cursor image producing circuits for producing a cursor image within said option menu.

Contrastingly, Beasley discloses an interconnection system for viewing and controlling remotely connected computers with on-screen video overlay for controlling of the interconnection switch. Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's reliance on Beasley as teaching the device of claim 38. No where does Beasley teach a device containing a

first and second set of image producing circuits for producing video images on the same display. Indeed, Figure 12 A, (see also Col. 10, line 65 - Col. 12, line 52) of Beasley teaches that a single OSD chip 364 is used to generate an on screen display for displaying a menu with the incoming system video. As the Examiner noted in the last response, Beasley shows a first set of imaging circuits contained in video monitor 63 for producing a first set of video outputs on video monitor 63 and a separate set of circuits for producing an image in a separate video monitor 64. See Detailed Action at ¶3). Nowhere does Beasley teach a device containing more than a single OSD circuit image circuit, let alone a device containing a first and second set of image producing circuits that are combined to form a single option menu on a single display. Furthermore, since Beasley only teaches a single OSD or imaging circuit, it is not possible for Beasley to teach a second set of imaging circuits that generates a cursor image to be combined into the option menu for display.

Accordingly, independent claim 38 is allowable over Beasley. Similarly, dependent claims 41-43, 45, 48, 52, 56, and 58-59 which all depend directly or indirectly from Claim 38 are also allowable over Beasley.

With respect to the remaining dependent claims neither Perholtz nor Reinhart nor any of the art of record, addresses the short comings of Beasley and none of them teach a first and second sets of image producing circuits for generating first and second sets of video images for display on a single video display. For at least that reason alone, Beasley in combination with Perholtz or any of the other art of record does not render claims 39, 40, 46-47, 49-51 and 54 to 55 obvious. Each dependent claim discussed above is therefore believed patentable for at least the same reasons. Because each dependent claim is also deemed to define an additional aspect of

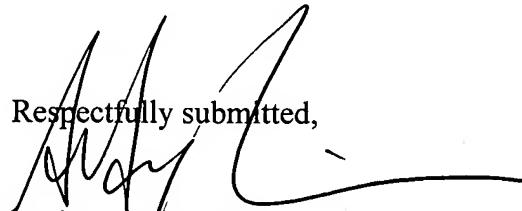
the invention, however, the individual consideration or reconsideration, as the case maybe, of the patentability of each on its own merits is respectfully requested.

If, however, there are any unresolved issues, it is requested that the Examiner contact Applicants' representative via telephone so that such issues can be quickly resolved.

Correspondence and Fees

Filed concurrently herewith is a request for a three-month extension of time to respond and the fee of \$1,110.00. No additional fees are believed to be necessitated by the instant response. However, should this be in error, authorization is hereby given to charge Deposit Account no. 03-3839 for any underpayment, or to credit any overpayments.

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